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Safer Families is broke

Abuse program seeking new funding sources

By WENDY HANSCOM

"It's really been hell the last seven months. My children and I have been living a nightmare, not knowing whether I'd survive or he'd kill me. Even when he gets out I'll still be worried. But we can't run and hide anymore."

For seven months, this Oxford County woman, who asked to remain nameless, was threatened, harassed and even assaulted by her husband. During that time she turned to the Safer Families staff for help.

I didn't have much self esteem and I had lost my trust in everything and everybody. But Safer Families has been good for me. They supported me on my decisions and they freed me."

The program helped her get the services she needed to break away from her abusive husband. He's currently serving jail time for assault and attempted rape.

But in order to continue helping the victims of domestic violence, Safer Families has got to find some money.

SF coordinator Lynn Mason has been unemployed since Jan. 31. Her original full-time position was cut to part-time in April 1993. SF has vacated its office at the health center.

The program has not received any state or federal funding since April. Other funds, from Town Meetings last spring, small private grants and other donations, were gone by the end of December.

See SAFER FAMILIES, page 2



SNOWMOBILERS AND CROSS COUNTRY SKIERS find great trails right on Bethel's doorstep.

(Photo by Michael Daniels)

Cabin Fever cook-off

Seen all the dirty snow banks you can stand?
Does the thought that it's Town Meeting time again fail to thrill you?
Do you long for deep, gooey mud and clouds of black flies?
Well then, shake and bake your way out of those late winter blahs -- enter the Bethel Citizen/Locke Mills Shurfine first annual Cabin Fever Recipe Contest.

Anyone is eligible. Young or old, professional chefs or down-home cooks.
Recipes may be submitted in the following four categories: main dish, soup/stew, salad and dessert.
Recipes should be sent to the Bethel Citizen on an official entry form, which can be picked up at The Citizen office or Locke Mills Shurfine. Entries must be received by March 18.

Finalists will be selected by a panel of local gourmands and announced in the March 23 issue of The Citizen.
Each finalist will be asked to bring his or her already prepared entry to be judged on March 26.
Final details on judging time and place will be announced later.

Ribbons will be awarded to first-place finishers in each category and a special ribbon will go to the cook with the best presentation.
The grand prize winner will receive a \$100 gift certificate to the Locke Mills Shurfine.
Winning recipes and photos of the judging will be published in the March 30 issue of the Bethel Citizen.

So get out your grandmother's favorite recipe or submit a creation of your own and join the 1994 Cabin Fever Reliever Recipe Contest.

See SAFER FAMILIES, page 2

Veteran telemarker rescues young snowboarder

"He was crying and saying 'I want my mom.' I told him his mom couldn't help him down here."

RICK BOUCHER

By WENDY HANSCOM

Lots of luck and the backcountry skill of a local telemarker combined to prevent a possible tragedy Friday -- when an 11-year-old snowboarder strayed out of bounds and became lost in the steep, wooded area behind Sunday River Ski Resort.

The episode was over quickly and ended happily, but the outcome could have been far different for young Travis Woods of Casco.

"This is a child with no fear," said Travis's mother Pam, "but when he came down off the lift and our eyes met, he burst into hysterical tears."

"I told him later, 'God or someone was watching over you and sent those people to you.'

Rick Boucher, who skied into the woods to rescue the panic-stricken youngster, downplayed his own role in the episode. "It was just pure luck that we happened to be up

there off the trail where we could hear him."

The incident took place Friday morning. Boucher and a skiing companion, Michael Daniels of Greenwood, had stopped near the top of the Lazy River trail and hiked up 100 feet to a rocky outcropping overlooking Barker Brook Basin.

As they stood enjoying the fine weather and the view back toward Bethel, Daniels thought he heard, very faintly, a scream.

"There were high-school racers on Locke Mountain, so at first I didn't think much about it -- I figured it was just kids fooling around, or even a boater," he said.

But then Daniels thought he heard another call -- and a distinct "help." "So I cupped my ears and we stood quietly and listened," he said.

Soon there was another cry. "This time we could hear enough to tell it was serious," he said. "This wasn't someone fooling around -- you could feel the fear in the voice."

The two men then called out in the direction of the distant screaming, to let the person or persons know they had been heard.

Then Boucher, who was in telemark gear, started skiing down through the steep woods in the direction of the calls. "We didn't have any idea what the situation was, how many people were involved, or whether anyone was injured and needed immediate attention," he said. "It seemed important to get to them as quickly as possible."

Daniels, who had left his alpine skis by the trail, hiked back down to the Barker Mountain Ski Patrol shack to summon help.

(The area where the incident took place can be seen clearly from Bethel. Look to the northwest, then

See RESCUE, page 12

It's been a tough winter on pipes

CROSS YOUR FINGERS AND WAIT FOR MOTHER'S DAY

By MICHAEL DANIELS

Drop by freezing drop, the unusually harsh winter weather is taking its toll underground.

"It's been just a dreadful winter," said Bethel Water District Superintendent Robert Saunders, who reports that the district has already had to deal with a half dozen frozen service lines.

That's well above the usual freeze-up rate, Saunders said. He predicted that still more residents will probably find themselves with frozen pipes in the coming weeks, as the frost works its way deeper into the ground.

And Bethel plumber Wayne Bean warned that the past weekend's brief warm spell may only make things worse -- by allowing the ground to soften and then driving the frost still deeper when the cold weather returns.

Just about everyone agrees that the number of freeze-ups this season -- both underground and indoors -- is well above normal, no doubt as the result of the sustained, often record-breaking, cold.

"January was the worst month I've seen in 14 years," said Bean, who works primarily on inside plumbing.

Fuel lines are also freezing, said Jerry Greenwell of Brooks Brothers, "even those in places like sheds that would normally be protected."

Carlton Gardner of the Maine Rural Water Association said that districts statewide are reporting

pipes freezing that have never frozen before, including sewer lines. Frost has driven to more than five feet deep in Auburn and as deep as nine feet in Aroostook County, he said.

The Bethel Water District measures ground and water temperatures, and the most recent readings (see box) are "substantially the coldest we've seen in recent years," Saunders said.

A quart of prevention

The district has been able to thaw some frozen service lines, but it's a messy and time-consuming process.

And other lines cannot be thawed and must wait for Mother Nature to free them in the spring.

"It's usually within four or five days of Mother's Day," Bean said.

The most common way of preventing freeze-ups is to keep a small amount of water (about a quart a minute is recommended) running through the pipe.

This precaution usually does the trick, Saunders said, but if most Water District customers kept their faucets running at that rate the system would soon run out of water.

And leaving the water running constantly over the winter would quickly shoot up the homeowner's water and sewer bills.

In most cases, Saunders said, leaving the tap on is not necessary, because most service lines are buried deeply enough that they are protected from freezing.

He advises that homeowners whose lines have frozen in the past, or those who plan to leave their homes for a few days or longer, contact the water district for advice on how to prevent freezing problems.

It is possible to make adjustments to fees, particularly if the district is told in advance about the situation, Saunders said.

Carlton, a project director for the rural water association, said that beyond keeping their taps running, there is little people can do at this point in the season -- except "keep their fingers crossed and wait for spring."

Water/ground temps

The Bethel Water District reports the following water and ground temperatures for Feb. 17.

Water 35 degrees

Ground 28 degrees

-3 feet 31 degrees

-4 feet 33 degrees

-5 feet 34 degrees

-6 feet

Ground temperatures are measured by sensors under Philbrook Street, where the surface of the ground is exposed and the subsurface is colder than most other locations.

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Letters

PG MEANS 'PARENTAL GUIDANCE' -- NOT 'PRINCIPAL'S GUIDANCE'

To the Editor:

School districts everywhere increasingly infringe on the right of parents to raise their children in the manner they deem most appropriate. Usually, when parents complain about this to a school board, they get the stock answer that parents today aren't living up to their responsibilities and that someone has to see that the kids' needs are being met. In no way can that excuse be used for the latest action by SAD44, for once again they have managed to chip away at our rights.

The School Board's decision to allow the showing of PG-rated movies in the middle school is a direct abrogation of parental rights and responsibilities, for they have now decided that the school is better able to choose what entertainment is proper for our children. Although they "passed the buck" to the principal, ultimately it is their responsibility and their blame to bear.

Somehow, I fail to share the principal's enthusiasm for the students' use of the system, for all they've done is to teach the kids how to "best the system." If mom and dad won't let them see the movie, the school will. After all, it knows best, doesn't it?

A movie is rated "PG" because its content is such that a child should have parental guidance while viewing it, something that can only be done with the parent present. Allowing them to view it without at least seeking a parent's permission simply circumvents this procedure, one that was designed to protect the child. Any principal or member of the School Board who thinks that voiding the movie rating system somehow meets the needs of the students isn't qualified to do their job.

This decision by the School Board and the principal has effectively removed the basic right of all parents to oversee the entertainment in which their children participate.

I say that once again the Directors of SAD44 have shown their inability to exercise foresight and common sense. This issue should be reconsidered and handled much differently.

The Rev. John W. Grant
Bethel

NEWRY SPAN NOT ON NEWS-MAP?

To the Editor:

I am puzzled by the fact that your paper made front page news of a proposed snowmobile bridge over the Androscoggin, but has said nothing about a very permanent new bridge being proposed for the Sunday River. This will be the first new crossing of the Sunday River in Newry in over 100 years. This is news. There are many interesting things going on in Newry and I believe the citizens of our town, as well as the community at large should be informed about them. Your masthead identifies your paper as the Bethel (Oxford County) Citizen. The last time I checked the map, Newry was still in Oxford County right there next to Bethel. Personally, I believe it would be appreciated by most of the citizens of Newry if we were more consistently included on the "news" map.

Don Sandstrom
Newry

The Citizen reported on the proposed Sunday River bridge in a brief article in page three of last week's edition. More details will follow the public hearing scheduled for Monday, Feb. 28.

--Ed.)

FINALLY REGISTERS -- BUT EVEN THAT DOESN'T HELP

To the Editor:

I would like to add my comments after the Feb. 14 voting was completed. Last Monday morning, I was concerned enough about the location of the town of Bethel that I did the unspeakable -- I registered to vote for the first time.

Nothing taught me a valuable lesson: never trust the government on anything federal, state, or local. Disinformation can be a very powerful tool in one's own betterment.

We are told, hear no evil, and the speak no evil boys bought the town at a pretty cheap price. Some wining and dining of the selected town, plus the short train ride, secured the appropriate results at the ballot box. I'm still laughing at the one about the \$30,000 a year a town can save, not too long ago everyone around here was bent over a map over the proposed casino in Albany. What next? I hear the bid might be \$100 million. That is a real possibility.

Delma F. McMillin
Bethel

RAPE OF BETHEL

To the Editor:

We "New" were well aware that it was a lost cause on Monday, the 14th, but if we'd been as diligent in getting out the voters, it well might have been a different story even if we didn't have train rides and other inducements to our Bethel citizens.

I am sure we "New" will have many opportunities to say "I told you so" in the future when our taxes rise and many of the things promised don't happen. By then, it will be too late to prevent the rape of Bethel.

I feel it will prove to be a sad time for Bethel and Bethel's Main Street.

Geraldine S. Howe
Bethel

Free ski day for local folks

On Sunday, Feb. 27 Sunday River Ski Resort will offer free skiing for residents of SAD44. The offer is extended to all the residents of any SAD44 town, whether or not they have any association with the school district.

Sunday River will also offer free ski rentals and its Guaranteed Learn to Ski program. Youngsters under 18-years-old must have a parent or guardian sign for ski rentals. The Guaranteed Learn to Ski program is available to anyone 13-years-old or older.

Proof of area residency is required, and ticket vouchers are not transferable.

SAD44 Free Ski days are also scheduled for Friday, March 18 and Sunday, April 10.

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WOODSTOCK'S OLDEST RESIDENT RECEIVES GOLD CANE—Luvie Sweester, 94, of Woodstock was presented with the town's Boston Post Gold Cane, recognizing her as the oldest resident. She was born March 3, 1899 in Greenwood. She now lives at the Ledgeview Nursing Home in West Paris. Woodstock Town Manager Vern Maxfield (left) and selectmen Leon Poland Jr. and Percy Monk Jr. presented Mrs. Sweester with the cane Thursday at the nursing home. She also received a plaque in her honor.

(Photo by Cynthia Curtis)

DANCE STUDIO THANK YOUS

To the Editor:

The call was for 8 a.m. Nov. 13, but they started to come at 7 -- these wonderful men and women -- to help resurrect the Children's Dance Theater -- burned down last December by teens smoking behind the studio on Main Street. No, it was not deliberate, but it was thoughtless. Another generation was making it right. They came with saws, hammers and shovels. It made me want to cry for joy. How do you thank such generosity? It's hunting season in Maine -- a very short special season to a lot of men and women -- and yet they were here ready to go.

Jim (Sysko) had come two days before to prepare the site for action. He and neighbor, Eddie (Ojeda) worked side by side, measuring, planning, whatever was needed so as not to waste precious time when the others arrived.

Son Doug arrived from Vermont by 7 and found Larry (Fox), Phil (Rolle) and neighbor Tom (Wheeler) already here cutting down the hundred-year-old lilac -- (ah me!) -- that would obstruct the snow in the winter. I hope I can get a slip to replant somewhere else ... I was getting coffee, juice, do-nuts ready for their 10 o'clock break -- or whenever. I had ordered a coffee cake from the newly opened Hometown Bakery on Vernon Street, who incidentally also lost everything in the fire. When I went to pay for it, Lois (Kilroy) said, "I can't build, but I can cook, this is my contribution."

Mr. Music Man (Peter Lawton), arrived along with Patty (Parsons) and son Thomas (Jeff being out of town) and were luggin' and totin' along with the best of them.

And so it continued with different people helping along the way as their busy schedules allowed.

On Jan. 12, eight weekends later, we opened our doors to classes with a warm studio, lights, music and dance floor as scheduled.

There's still much to be done. Our dressing room, bathroom needs finishing. Our much needed mirrors, ballet barres are not in yet but time and patience will take care of that.

Money contributions: Western Maine Water Service, David, Joan, Chelsey, Bartlett.

Others who gave of their time and talent: Rob and Patty Noll; Bill, Dawn and Randy Gross; Cam Bradshaw; Mark and Leslie Moore; Delmar McMillin; Larry, Lisa, Naomi and Amos Fox; Kathy Stuccia; Anna and Mandy Sysko; Monica Rolfe; Jeff, Emily, Charles Parsons; Paul Farrar; Andrea Zimble; Michelle Farrar-Keyes; Peter Forbes; Quinton Stockwell; Lauren Parker; Dick Taylor; Troy Jordan; Becki Lawrence; Don and Dorian Moran; Nancy Lincoln; Bob Saunders; Neil Weston; Darren Worcester.

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If I have inadvertently left out anyone's name, I apologize because I sincerely thank everyone for their help.

Open House Party will be announced when all is completed and you are all cordially invited.

Susan Farrar
Bethel

Safer Families

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The Bethel Area Health Center helped support the program financially through January.

The health center also applied for money for the program through its Rural Health Initiative grant, but the funding was denied.

"It's truly unfortunate that we lost our funding," said Wende Gray, president of the health center board of trustees. "It's a program that can never be self-supporting."

"It's just done marvelously. We've really seen a lot of domestic violence victims get help. The volunteer effort has been outstanding. I think a lot of people see this type of program as a volunteer effort, but there's telephone bills, travel time, administrative costs, insurance and gas money -- that's where the cost comes in, but their funding rug has been pulled out from under them."

But Mason and SF's board are not abandoning the program.

"The advisory committee met at the end of January and decided to try and continue Safer Families," Mason said. "They were unwilling to see services stop to women and

other victims of domestic violence in Oxford County. We're committed to local agencies in Oxford County, hospitals, police departments and churches, to do awareness trainings this spring."

Mason will continue to head up the program as a volunteer, but if additional money is not found she'll be forced to look for a paying job.

"For a period of time I'm willing to do it," Mason said. "That's how much I believe in Safer Families. I am willing to volunteer to do what we need to do to keep this going. I can't see myself or any of the volunteers picking up the phone and listening to a crisis and saying 'I'm sorry, there's nothing we can do for you.' In January, we opened up more cases than any other single month since we've been open."

SF is in the process of trying to become incorporated. Once incorporated the program may be eligible for state, federal and private grant money.

The program has already received some local support.

The health center is allowing Mason and SF volunteers to come

in two-and-a-half days a week to use the center's phones to contact clients during February and March.

SF also uses the health center for evening meetings.

GTE awarded the program a small grant last week, to establish a new hotline. The new line will be in place sometime next month. Meanwhile, the health center is maintaining the current hotline -- 1-800-287-2292.

The Bethel Alliance Church has also volunteered office space at the church.

"We're really excited about that," Mason said. "We're already in Rumford and South Paris one day a week, but this gives us a Bethel base."

The program will also continue its fundraising efforts.

For the second year in a row, SF will ask area towns for money at annual Town Meetings.

A benefit breakfast is also scheduled for Feb. 26 at Skidder's on Main Street in Bethel.

"We're going ahead like we're going to be bigger and better than ever," Mason said.

Hearing on Andover water rate hike

By BARBARA ADAMS

A public hearing will be held at the Andover Town Hall Thursday, Feb. 24 at 7 p.m., in regard to the proposed rate increase for water district customers. The increase would finance the installation of a new state-mandated water system. The new system has been stalled due to a petition submitted by 147 customers to the Public Utilities Commission protesting the proposed rates.

The rate increase would enable the town to get the \$296,500 loan approved in November of 1992 by the Farmers Home Administration for the new system. Andover customers currently pay \$32 a quarter, and this amount would double.

In an advance copy of his Feb. 24 speech, Water District director Harold Frazier stated, "Upon submission of that petition, we were completely stopped from further progress," he stated. Without a method to repay a \$296,500 Farmers Home Administration loan for

the project, he says, the FmHA refused to issue a letter of intent to the bank. PUC told us it would take about nine months to resolve this.

The town also was approved for a grant from the Farmers Home Administration in the amount of \$532,000, but the loan must be used before the grant is implemented.

The state had requested that the EPA bring an enforcement action against the Andover Water System.

According to the EPA order, regulations require the water system to sample for coliform bacteria at least once a month. Andover's water system was not sampled the months of March 1991, September 1991, November 1991, and October 1992, the findings said.

THIS WEEK AT THE Moses Mason House

All members and friends of the Bethel Historical Society are reminded that the next monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, March 3, in the meeting room of the Dr. Moses Mason House, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Featured during the program portion of the meeting will be a celebration of oral history focusing on the memories of six Bethel area citizens over 80 years of age: Albert Cotton, Florence Hastings, Olive Head, Grace Morrill, Benton Swan and Randolph Stevens. These six have together over 500 years of living in western Maine, and those attending will hear of their memories of floods, school days and their reaction to the impact of great national events including the Great Depression and World War II. The audience will also have an opportunity to ask questions as well. Anyone interested in attending this meeting is cordially invited to do so.

Periodically, someone attempts to answer the question that has been asked for generations: "Why study history?" This answer appears in the January issue of "History Matters," published by the National Council for History Education: "A civilization that does not pass its experience on to its young is doomed to be run by children, at least in the intellectual sense. Lack of familiarity with history, leaders and citizens will have only their own limited and unique life experiences upon which to draw when confronting personal and public questions, and more surely will repeat mistakes made by earlier generations, or fail to continue to improve upon successful solutions to common human problems. It is essential therefore, that students learn history during their 13 years of universal schooling. Although history's impact on daily life may not be immediately apparent as is, for instance, arithmetic, it is the foundation for judgment -- and a society whose members and leaders lack judgment is indeed in peril."

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Town Meetings
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crease in municipal spending, keeping the mil rate close to last year's 10.2 mills.

Upton

Upton selectmen are still working on the town's budget, according to Selectman Constance Gagnon.

"It will have a slight rise to deal with our landfill situation and normal expenses," Gagnon said.

The town is still negotiating with James River to purchase the town's landfill site, and plans to eventually set up a transfer station.

Last year voters approved a town budget of \$77,039, including municipal and school spending.

Greenwood

Greenwood selectmen are also still working through the town's budget and Selectman Marie Bartlett declined to comment on the budget's status until after Tuesday evening's scheduled selectmen's meeting. The town is still waiting

for the auditor's report, Bartlett said.

The budget process is further complicated by a proposal on the town warrant to drop the brown goods user fees, Bartlett said.

If the brown goods user fee is voted out, selectmen will have to raise more money through taxation. Madeleine Henley.

"The brown goods user fee has only been in place for eight months," Bartlett said. "We'd like to see it stay in place for at least a year so we can get a true figure. We're also worried that if they vote it out, we'll be one of the only free faces around and people from outside the town will haul their goods here. We'll have to pay to get rid of it."

Gilead

Gilead selectmen are predicting a light increase in the town's budget, but have not completed the budget building process, according to

Mother's Rings & Pendants

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many styles to choose from

Maine Minerals & Gems

Native American Jewelry

Custom Designs by Addison Saunders

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West Paris

Voters to have say on social service funds

By DUANE HAYES

At their annual meeting on March

1, West Paris voters will be asked

to choose between a proposed

budget of \$342,645, as recom-

mended by the board of selectmen,

and an alternative budget of

\$348,707 that has been prepared

by the town's budget committee.

The two figures came about as a

result of feelings by majority of

the town's voters last March that

there should be a greater choice for

them to consider than just the recommendations of the selectmen.

The change was then voted in late

in the Town Meeting when people saw

that social service funding had been cut heavily by the town officials.

What the district will request for

North Newry

By GIL SEELEY

The Newry Recreation Committee and Sunday River Ski Resort will co-sponsor a Skating Party on Thursday, Feb. 24, from 7 to 8 p.m. at the rink at White Cap Lodge. Free hot chocolate will be served and at 8 o'clock there will be a drawing for two \$10 gift certificates to any Sunday River concession. Skaters will want to stay for Sunday River's biggest fireworks display of the season. So gather up some friends or the kids and join up for a fabulous night out! (Have no skates? Skate rentals are available at White Cap Lodge for \$5.)

Happy Birthday to Karlene Bachelder on her 60-something day. "I refuse, as I age, to deny my years... Was it at 30? 45? ...Or the one when I came down with the flu?... Or when I said goodbye to

someone close... No, I think I'll keep them all... the bad years, the good years... To deny one would be to deny myself... because added up... They are my life."

Our Newry post mistress Crystal Lake would like to thank all who came to the "open house" at the Post Office last Saturday, the 5th. Everyone enjoyed refreshments and good conversation. It was nice to have a chance to know each other personally.

The Newry Mothers' Club met Feb. 14 at the Town Building. Gil Seeley opened the meeting with a prayer of St. Valentine's Day. Secretary-Treasurer Olive Anderson brought the finances up to date, read the notes of the last meeting, reported on cards sent to shut-ins. She also told of sending a card to Roger Hanscom who is in the Rumford hospital. Karlene Bachelder reported on having bought some

Xmas lights for next year's tree. The Upton ladies invited the Mothers' Club members to their Mother-Daughter Banquet sometime in May, and it was accepted.

Olive Anderson won the mystery prize. A sum of money was voted on and donated to the Ride-in drive in Rumford.

Next meeting will be March 14 at the Town Building, 7:30 with Shirley Keith, Sylvia Wight and Olive Anderson on the snack committee. A bingo game will be the social hour. The meeting was adjourned and Valentines were exchanged and refreshments enjoyed.

Bea Lowell, Karlene Bachelder, Betsy Clark and Gil Seeley of the "Newry Bowling Gang" were at the Oxford Lanes, Rumford, one day last week. Karlene was high on both

the triples and singles. There was no spectacular scoring during the game! Karlene had one spare, Gil had one strike and Bea had one spare. So they made up for it with having a good lunch...

Congratulations to Jennifer Bowie for being an honor student in Grade 12.

The Windy Valleys Sno-Mobile Club hosted a Seabrook club for trail rides on Saturday, Feb. 12. Leon Dunn took the morning group to Andover and Lake Umbagog. Herb Kittridge spent the afternoon with a group in Grafton Notch State Park. In the evening an oyster stew and potluck supper was held in the Grange Hall for the riders and for the area snowmobile clubs. About 65 attended.

The following Sunday, Bill, Owen

and Sylvia Wight rode into Rumford by snowmobile to the Annual Ride-in to benefit the Oxford County Association for the Retarded Children. The club wishes to thank everyone who contributed so generously. God Bless.

East Bethel

By NANCY MERCER

Alder River Grange 145 will hold a meeting on Feb. 25 at 7:30 p.m. at Leslie Noyes' home.

Bob Crockett is at Stephens Memorial Hospital. He is now in a room and hopes to be home on Feb. 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bolin have a baby boy, Matthew James, born on Feb. 14. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth

Crockett are the grandparents. Matthew weighs 8 lbs., 8 ozs.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Gamble of Salem, N.H., Mr. and Mrs. Bob Williams of Windham and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hastings of Fryeburg visited Mrs. Florence Hastings recently.

Danielle Bernier was home from St. Josephs in Windham from Feb. 11 to 15.

Rodney Howe came home on Feb. 11 from Maine Medical Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Forten Powell (Shirley Seacord) of Rockland and Joan Lovatt of East Sandwich, Mass., and Clayton Bartlett of Kennebunk visited at the Bartlett Homestead on Feb. 13.

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East Stonington

By ELEANOR NELSON

February 26 is John McElroy at Head Pond. This is a derby for the children and free hot dogs and hot chocolate words, a fun day.

Again, will remind you of Pasta Feast at the VFW Garrison, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. three snowmobile clubs on, hope to see you there.

One day this past weekend Lawrence and Carolyn Hinman and Damariscotta called on Eleanor Nelson.

On Monday, Geneva Walter and Carolyn Hinman and Josephine McSouth Paris.

Congratulations to the town who got on the honor roll. They work hard and deserve praise that I know of are: St. Charles Lawrence from Academy, and Molly N.

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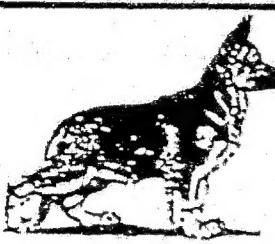
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On Monday, Geneva Tripp and Walter and Carolyn Heino called on Roland and Josephine McAllister in South Paris.

Congratulations to those from town who got on the honor roll at school. They work hard for these grades and deserve praise. Those that I know of are: Sara Mason, Charles Lawrence from Fryeburg Academy, and Molly Nelson from

Mollyockett School.

In March 1993 "Redbook" magazine honored the New Suncook School of Lovell as being one of the nation's top schools. It is part of MSAD72 and has students from Lovell, Fryeburg, Sweden, Stowe, Stoneham and Chatham, N.H. Winning schools received a certificate and were mentioned in the April issue of "Redbook."

West Paris

By MIRIAM INMAN

Donna McIver of Woodland is spending some time here with her parents, Ivan and Ann Proctor. Ann is a patient at CMMC in Lewiston at present.

We were saddened to hear about the death of Kathleen Cray, the daughter of a former West Paris native, Marjorie (Baker) Mailloux. We extend our sympathies to you and your family.

Forward Fellowship will gather at the home of Marta Clements on Monday, Feb. 28, for a 6:30 p.m. potluck supper preceding the meeting.

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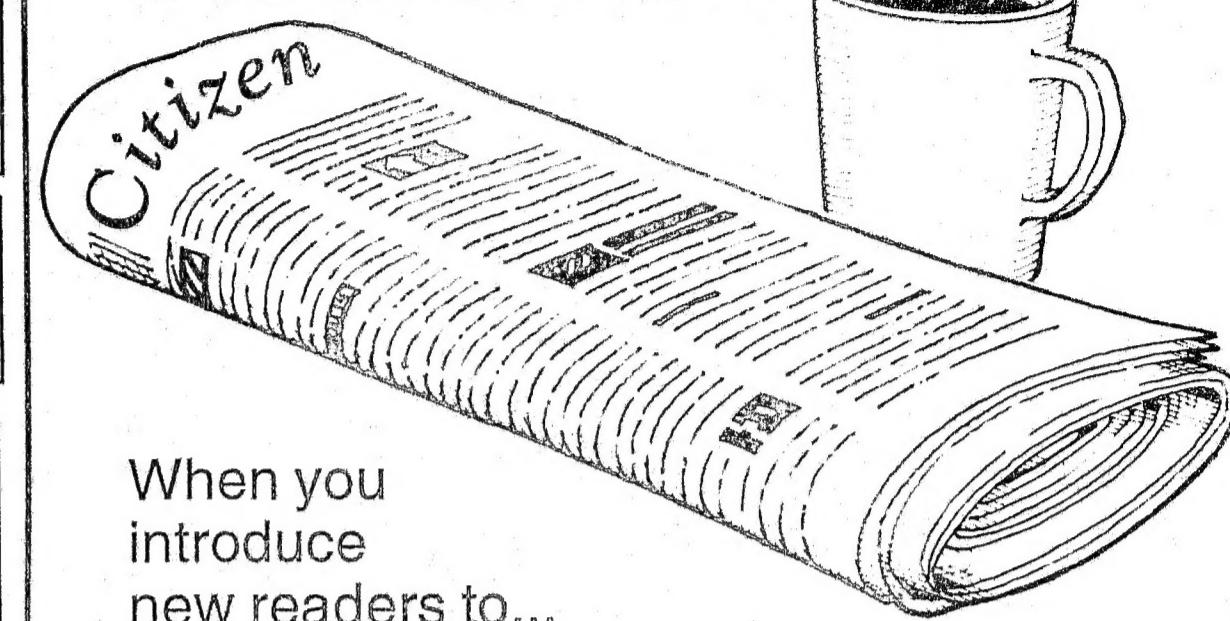
By CRYSTAL LAKE

Chris and Nancy Fauser from Dallas, Texas are visiting her mother, Betty Hollis, and other family members during vacation week.

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Friday: Hamburger on a fresh bun, vegetable mix, fresh fruit.

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	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) Cheers	Murphy B.	Babylon 5	Kung Fu: The Legend	News	Empty Nest	Cheers	H. Patrol			
(5) Waltons		Young Riders	Rescue 911	700 Club		Bonanza				
(6) Murphy B.	Roseanne	Mad-Yo! Wings	Seinfeld	Frasier	L.A. Law		News			
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Matlock			Primetime Live		News			
(10) High School Basketball		High School Basketball			Chelworth		Charlie Rose			
(11) Sportsctr.	College Basketball: SMU at Houston		College Basketball: Massachusetts at Temple		Sportsctr.					
(12) Club Dance	News	B. Mandrell	Music City Tonight		Club Dance		News			
(13) Entertain	Edition	Olympic Winter Games					News			
(14) Basketball	NHL Hockey: Hartford Whalers at Detroit Red Wings		College Basketball: UNLV at UCSB							
(15) Naked Gun	Movie: "Miracle Beach"		Movie: "Rage and Honor"		Comedy	"State of Emergency"				
(17) Movie: "The Mighty Ducks"			Movie: "Don't Raise the Bridge, Lower the River"	P. McCartney						
(18) "Ladybugs" Cont'd	Movie: "Hero"		Movie: "Bram Stoker's Dracula"							
(20) WTA Tour	College Basketball: South Florida at Tulane	Rim	College Basketball: Stanford at USC							
(21) Unsolved Mysteries	Sisters		Movie: "The House on Carroll Street"		Unsolved Mysteries					
(22) Griffith	B. Hillbilly	Movie: "The Alamo"								
(24) Looney	Bullwinkle	Partridge	Mork	Love Lucy	Newhart	M.T. Moore	M.T. Moore	Van Dyke	Get Smart	
(25) Movie: "Kiss Them for Me"				Movie: "Sylvia Scarlett"			Kiss Them for Me			
(26) Major Dad	Wings	Murder, She Wrote		Movie: "Perfect Family"			Wings	Wings		
(27) In Search Of	Real West		Dizzy Gillespie in Cuba: A Night in Havana		In Search Of					
(32) Eddie's	That Girl	Mod Squad	Renegade		News		Kojak			
(34) Design. W.	Jeffersons	Tekwar			News	Night Court	Highlander			
(39) Moneyline	Crossfire	Primewalk	Larry King Live	World News	Sports		Moneyline			

FRIDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 25, 1994

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) Cheers	Murphy B.	Babylon 5	NHL Hockey: Boston Bruins at Winnipeg Jets				H. Patrol			
(5) Waltons		Movie: "The Art of Love"		700 Club		Bonanza				
(6) Murphy B.	Roseanne	Viper		Movie: Tremors		News				
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Fam. Mat.	Boy-World	Step by S. Mr. Cooper 20/20		News				
(10) Girls High School Basketball		High School Basketball		Bless Me	Smith & J.	Ch. Rose				
(11) Sportsctr.	NHL Hockey	Chicago Blackhawks at Buffalo Sabres		Outside the Lines		Sportsctr.				
(12) Club Dance	News	Video Album	Music City Tonight		Club Dance		News			
(13) Entertain	Edition	Olympic Winter Games				News				
(14) Tonite	Rinkside	College Baseball: Ohio State at Florida			Report	Hockey				
(15) Malcolm X Cont'd	Movie: Nowhere to Run		Movie: Next of Kin		Crypt Tales					
(17) If Shoe	Movie: Cinderella		Movie: The Maltese Falcon		Movie: My Fair Lady					
(18) Labyrinth	Cont'd	Movie: Rampage		Movie: Wayne's World		Escape to Paradise				
(20) College Hockey	Boston College at Providence		College Hockey: Ferris State at Michigan State							
(21) Unsolved Mysteries	Sisters		Movie: Get Smart Again		Unsolved Mysteries					
(22) Griffith	B. Hillbilly	Movie: Rescue From Gilligan's Island		Movie: Return to Mayberry						
(24) Looney	Bullwinkle	Partridge	Mork	Love Lucy	Newhart	M.T. Moore	M.T. Moore	Van Dyke	Get Smart	
(25) Movie: The Slender Thread				Movie: Cormed		Hell Is for Heroes				
(26) Major Dad	Wings	Murder, She Wrote		Movie: Best Seller		Cheerleaders				
(27) In Search Of	Time Machine		Investigative Reports	Ancient Mysteries		Evening at the Improv				
(32) Eddie's	That Girl	Mod Squad	Fugitive		News	Kojak				
(34) Design. W.	NBA Basketball	Chicago Bulls at Washington Bullets		News	Night Court	Saturday				
(39) Moneyline	Crossfire	Primewalk	Larry King Live	World News	Sports	Moneyline				

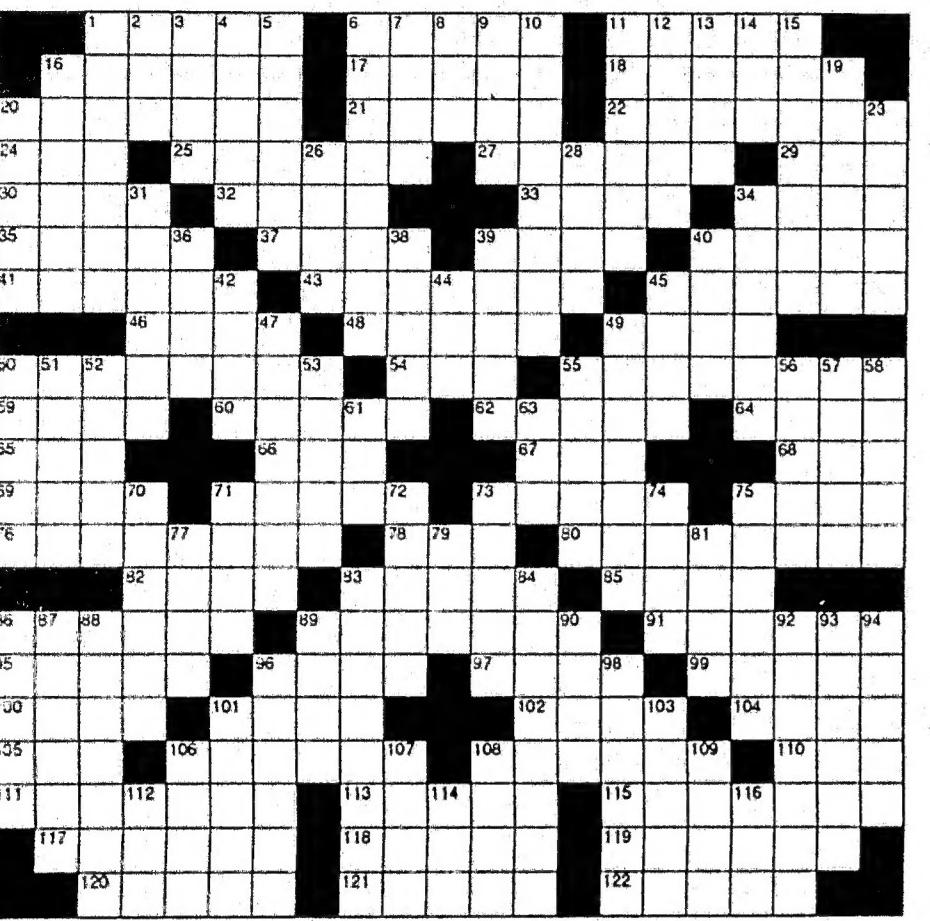
SATURDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 26, 1994

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) Empty Nest	Murphy B.	Movie: Volunteers		News	Movie: Foul Play					
(5) BorderTown	Skies	Country Music Spotlight	Movie: The Bridge at Remagen							
(6) College Hockey	Merrimack at University of Maine		Witness Video		News	Sat. Night				
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Movie: Columbo: Death Hts the Jackpot		Comish		Texas				
(10) Girls High School Basketball		High School Basketball		Austin City Limits		Robin H.				
(11) Sportsctr.	Speed	Auto Racing	Hydroplane Racers	American Muscle	Speed	Sportsctr.				
(12) Our Way	Stardom	Gopry	GrandPry	Star-Bucks	Hee Haw	Gopry	GrandPry			
(13) Olympic Winter Games					News					
(14) Rinkside	College Basketball: Rutgers at West Virginia		Scottish Soccer	Buck Talc	Report	Basketball				
(15) The Living Daylights	Movie: Sommersby		Dream On	Movie: Starstruck 3						
(17) Pound Puppies-Big Paw		BBop	Movie: Casablanca	Cape Fear	The Color					
(18) Side Out	Cont'd	Movie: Sniper		Movie: Die Hard						
(20) Basketball	College Basketball: Providence at Miami		Tennis	Arizona Men's Champ	Sext	Tennis				
(21) Too Good to Be True	Movie: Cocaine?		Hidden	Hidden	Unsolved Mystery					
(22) Wrestling	NBA Basketball: Atlanta Hawks at Philadelphia 76ers		Black History Special	Movie: Little Big Man						
(24) Doug	Rugrats	Claissa	R house	Ben Stumpf Atta'd	Very Very Nick at Nite					
(25) Movie: Silver City		H wood 2	Movie: Copper Canyon		The Great Missouri Raid					
(26) Case Closed		Movie: Shockers		Silk Stalkings		Movie: Amazon				
(27) Hm. Again	Hm. Again	Movie: Goin' South		Best of Comic Relief		Comedy on the Road				
(32) Eddie's	That Girl	Mod Squad	Fugitive	News	News Itv	Kojak				
(34) Runaway	Fortune	Bullseye								

Super Crossword

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- 1 Proof-reader's mark
- 6 Essential wooden shoe
- 11 Crude release from prison
- 16 Adult insect stage
- 18 Sports compounds
- 20 Abraham in Nebraska?
- 21 Yuccalike desert plant
- 22 Small crown
- 24 Literary collection
- 25 Sturdy fabrics
- 27 English writer and social reformer
- 29 Pike fish
- 30 Army meal
- 32 Actress Talbot
- 33 Worth or merit, once
- 34 Medieval lyric
- 35 Bandleader Shaw
- 37 Begot
- 39 Still sleeping
- 40 Prepare the tea
- 41 Dean Martin parties?
- 43 Produce quickly
- 45 Brings to an end
- 46 Sister of Ares
- 48 Russian drink
- 49 Weather forecast
- 50 Nightingale in Alabama?
- 54 Freud's concern
- 55 California trading center?
- 59 Mother of Castor and Pollux
- 60 Festive occasions
- 62 Adopted a sullen expression
- 64 Use an old phone
- 65 Pierre's friend
- 66 Author Yutang
- 67 Psych. org.
- 79 Pike fish
- 80 Honeymoon spot in Colorado?
- 82 One of the tides
- 83 Swimmer's hazard
- 85 TV "Renegade" in Nevada?
- 86 Funnyman
- 89 Skycaps
- 91 Becomes mature
- 95 Fencing swords
- 96 Impose a tax
- 97 Chicago business district
- 99 Breed of small, hardy cattle
- 100 Crowd
- 101 River in Yorkshire
- 102 Thick slice
- 104 Computer food?
- 105 Son of God
- 106 Quantity
- 108 Kite
- 110 Title for Alec Guinness
- 111 Oscar in Wisconsin?
- 113 Clan
- 115 Green for riches
- 117 Seat in the chancery
- 118 Souvenir
- 119 Deduce or infer
- 120 River to the Danube
- 121 Baker's need
- 122 Winged DOWN
- 1 Variation of
- 2 Runny
- 3 Circle segment
- 4 Terry or Corby
- 5 Kind of elbow?
- 6 Iron chancellor North Dakota?
- 7 Andy's slidekick
- 8 Made a lap
- 9 Designer Cassini
- 10 Explorer in Ohio?
- 11 Dismissed from employment
- 12 Jack-in-the-pulpit, for one
- 13 Capital of Switzerland
- 14 Yoko —
- 15 Becomes snarled
- 16 English playwright
- 19 Naval construction man
- 20 Missouri birthplace of HST
- 23 Pitfalls
- 26 Tell it like —
- 28 Dip out slowly
- 31 Leader of the Canaanites
- 34 Made amends
- 36 French verb
- 38 Overhanging
- 39 Noted fabulist
- 40 Like a fashion model
- 42 Confess and Implicate others
- 44 Roofing slate
- 45 Eccentric wheel parts
- 46 Iron
- 47 Blivale mollusk
- 49 Kind of muscle
- 50 Cube or card starter
- 51 Proposition proved to be true
- 52 State of being hated
- 53 Of an ancient Greek city
- 55 Assayer's cup
- 56 Larat
- 57 French star Leslie
- 58 African antelope
- 61 Dancer Miller
- 63 Rower
- 70 Canned Command to Fido
- 72 Linger a while
- 73 Ship of the desert
- 74 Eternally
- 75 Flew to wed
- 77 Ann and Robert E.
- 79 Narrow ship
- 81 Arthurian lady
- 83 A bit of England in Connecticut?
- 84 Look for gold in the Nutmeg State?
- 86 Change a garment's length
- 87 "Thais" and "Aida"
- 88 Laughs at contemptuously
- 89 Andean country
- 90 Only
- 92 Tricky
- 93 Formal announcement
- 94 Delusion's partner?
- 96 Young lord of the jungle
- 98 Paste used in forcements
- 101 Soap plant
- 103 Angled edge of plate glass
- 106 Biblical name: Douay
- 107 Corner
- 108 Kimono sashes
- 109 avis
- 112 Amin
- 114 Labor org.
- 116 Mus.
- direction to the performer



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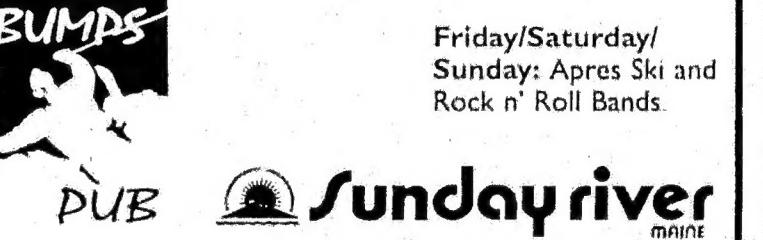
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Fred Garbo & Company is a two-person, international performance with Fred Garbo from the U.S.A., and from Brazil, Daelma Santos. The inflatables are the creation of George York of Portland.

The advance ticket price is \$6. After Feb. 18 tickets will cost \$8 each. Tickets are available at Preb's Pharmacy in Bethel or by calling Mahoosuc Arts at 824-3575 to make reservations. Mahoosuc Arts gratefully acknowledges the support of the family of Leslie B. Otten.

This year's program will include a social hour beginning at 6 p.m., followed by the culinary delights of the Bethel Inn presented at 7 p.m.

The special guest this year will be James B. Longley, Jr., who will address the topic of "Bringing Common Sense Back to Government: The Republican Message in 1994."

Reservations must be made by Feb. 24, and the public is encouraged to attend. For reservations or more information, please contact Michelle Franke at 583-2924, Barbara Brown at 824-2446, Norm Ferguson, Jr., at 364-7641, or Diane Jones at 935-3132.

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--Tuesday, March 15, Bethel Area Health Center.

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ford County Republican will sponsor an evening of fun, entertainment and Reunion on Feb. 26 at the Inn and Conference Center.

Colonial Lincoln Day Dinner is a celebration of the birth of President Abraham Lincoln, and has tradition in Oxford County for years.

The program will include a dinner beginning at 6 p.m., followed by the culinary delights of the Inn presented at 7 p.m.

If guest this year will be Longley, Jr., who will address the topic of "Bringing Commerce Back to Government: A Republican Message in 1994."

Reservations must be made by Feb. 15.

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Tuesday: Mundt-Allen

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Tuesday: Bethel Rotary

at The Bethel Inn, 7:30

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Country Quilters meet at the

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Tuesday: Pine Tree Legal

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Cions Club meets at the

Den, Main St., Social

7 p.m. Dinner at 7 p.m.

High School Project Grad-

uation meeting, 6 to 8

10 at Telstar.

Community Calendar may be

phoned in at 824-2444.

Task Force notes:

By NATALIE TIMBERLAKE

NTL, education and retirement are among agenda items when the Bethel Area Task Force meets at Bingham House at 7 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 27.

Maintaining the presence of NTL as a part of the area's economy was the stimulus for the formation of the Task Force. NTL continues to develop, locally, under the management of Kathi Schandelmeier. She has reported that the summer of 1994 will see a 12-week program here.

NTL book sales are now under the Bethel umbrella. The books are being packed and shipped from national headquarters in Virginia, but the inventory management and sales are part of Schandelmeier's responsibility.

The Reader Roundtable attracted participants from throughout the SAD44 community. Several members of the education group of the Task Force as well as the education committee of West Parish Congregational Church have supported this. The group has met four consecutive weeks to discuss four topics about education in Maine: vocational education, citizenship, life-long learning and basic skills. Discussion centered on articles in each week's "Maine Sunday Telegram." The group will meet again Sunday, Feb. 27, at 4 p.m. at the church. They will focus on how the members wish to continue to involve themselves and others of the area in support of education. That meeting will be closely prior to the Task Force meeting, and is expected to bring an interesting report to Task Force.

The retirement community committee met earlier this month to discuss next steps in developing living arrangements for older residents who are presently served by housing facilities. In recent years this lack has seen several local people relocate to other facilities. A professional survey of feasibility has encouraged the local group to move ahead.

OCSCWD MEETING

The Oxford County Soil and Water Conservation District has invited the public to attend the Annual Cooperators Meeting Program - Working Together to Make a Difference. The location will be at the South Paris Fire Hall on Pine Street at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 24, followed with an informal dessert time. For more information call the district office at 743-7019 or write t 1 Main Street, South Paris, ME 4281.

The meeting will focus on: who ne district has worked together with in 1993, how working together makes a difference in conserving natural resources.

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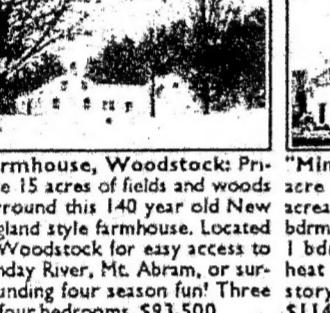
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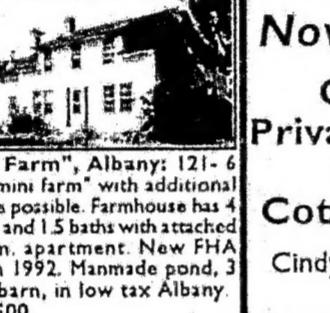
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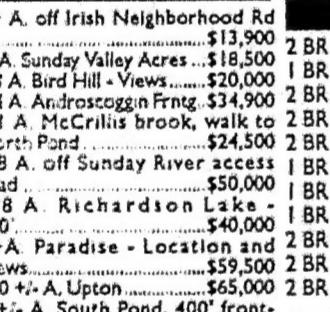
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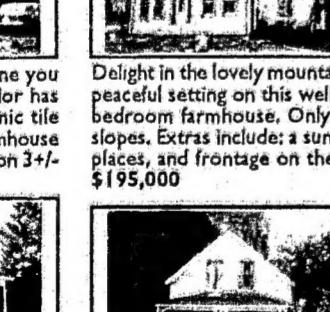
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Obituaries

ALBIN W. GESTAUT

Albin W. Gestaut, 70, retired Rumford Police Chief, died unexpectedly Saturday, Feb. 12, 1994, at the Poland Spring Health Institute, where he was a patient for two days. A lifelong resident of the area he resided at 86 Main Avenue in Rumford.

He was born in Worcester, Mass., the son of William and Anna (Luksas) Gestaut. He attended Mexico schools. During World War II he served overseas as a sergeant in the Military Police from 1943 to 1946 with the 5th Inf. Reg.-71st Div. and received the Bronze Star. He was married in Portland on April 26, 1947 to the late Madeline Zadakis, who died in Rumford on March 19, 1990. He was a member of the Rumford Police Department for over 28 years, from 1947 to his retirement in 1975, as chief for the last eight of those years. He was a member of many organizations, including: the New England Association, Chiefs of Police; Association of Retired Police Chiefs; National Rifle Association; served as captain of the Civil Air Patrol, Maine Wing; Aircraft Owners & Pilots Association; Maine Pilots Association; International Cessna 170 Club Association; Blazing Star Lodge 30, AF & AM.

Card of Thanks

We would like to give special thanks to our sister-in-law Eleanor Ryerson, Dian Stinson and Nancy Henderson for being with us the night we lost our precious little grand daughter Ashleigh Kristan Noyes. To Phillip Lowe, Wayne & Mildred Dresser, Pam Baker, Aunt Cleo, Duane Abbott and Danny Littlehale for stopping in and giving their support. Also thanks goes to Joann Newell, Jane Abbott and Evelyn Chamberlain for the food and their support. The many phone calls, cards and prayers.

Special thanks to Pastor Lloyd and Doris Waterhouse for being with the family when we said our last goodbye.

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Frances A. Bennett

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Survivors include three daughters:

Mrs. Betty Moore and Miss Beatrice Schneider, both of Andover and Mrs. Gilbert (Phyllis) Silver of Havana, Ill.; one brother, George Crooker of East Andover; two sisters, Mrs. Pauline Colby of Pittsfield, N.H., and Mrs. Roy (Louise) Leach of Arthurette, N.B., Canada; nine grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by a son, Erville Schneider Jr., who was killed in action during the Korean War and a brother, William Crooker of East Andover.

Funeral services were held Monday, Feb. 21, at the First Congregational Church, Andover, with Pastor Jane Rich officiating. Those who desire may contribute to the Memorial Fund of the First Congregational Church, Andover, ME 04216, in her memory.

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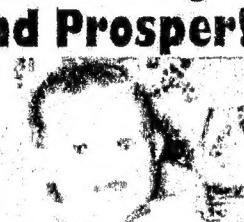
Rodney K. Howe

Card of Thanks

I want to thank all my family, friends and neighbors who sent cards and flowers, who visited and asked about me during my stay in the hospital and after I returned home.

A special "thank you" to Jeff and Tracy Rainey and the Bethel Ambulance crew.

Bob Crockett

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Rescue

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a little to the left of the righthand edge of Barker Mountain.)

Boucher traversed the rugged area for a quarter of an hour before spotting Travis on the top of a ledge between Locke and Barker mountains.

When he made his way to the ledge he found an uninjured but very frightened little boy.

"He was crying and saying 'I want my mom. I told him his mother couldn't help him down here,'" Boucher said, "and to just calm down and he'd be OK."

Boucher gave Travis water, then yelled back to Danielsback at the outcropping, letting them know that everything was under control and that he'd try to bring the boy up.

Boucher gave his poles to Travis, took off his own skis and used them to break a trail for the two back up the mountain.

"It was hard going," he said, "very steep, and the snow in places was halfway up my chest."

Boucher also began to read the Riot Act to his captive audience, stressing the dangers of skiing out-of-bounds -- but then he changed tactics.

"I realized he was already miserable enough," Boucher said, "so I began to joke with him to get his mind off all the negative stuff. I told him he had been reading too many snowboard magazines. By the time we were back at the top he was fine."

It took a half an hour for the pair to work their way out.

At the top, ski patrollers checked Jason, then sent him down on the lift to Ski Patrol Headquarters, where he was examined again and sent off to find his mother, who was at the mountain helping to chaperone the Lake Region High School ski team.

This guy from The Crescent Park School is 40!



Happy Birthday!

2-26-94

Wrong turns

Travis said later that he became lost when he tried to cut through the woods to get from one trail to another at the top of the mountain. But the other trail wasn't where he expected it to be, and after hitting a few trees he decided to abandon his snowboard and try to hike out.

But again he couldn't find his way.

"He was pretty confused," Boucher said. "His track before he reached the ledge was becoming very erratic."

After Travis took off his snowboard, "the snow was up to my waist," he said. "I kept going to my left. Then there was a big ledge and I hiked up it. Then I started screaming."

He estimated he had been calling out for an hour before the two men heard him.

Andy Robidoux, director of the Sunday River Ski Patrol, said that in an average year two or three people become lost out of bounds at the mountain, "usually hot shots who want to check something out, but don't really stop to think about how they're going to get back to the trail. They can quickly find themselves in a world of trouble."

Boucher thinks that's just what happened to the youngster. "He was thinking about the run, not about how he was going to get out."

Lost and found

"He probably would have been found eventually," Boucher said, "but it would have been a very long day for him, and if he had to spend the night in those wet clothes he would have been in big trouble."

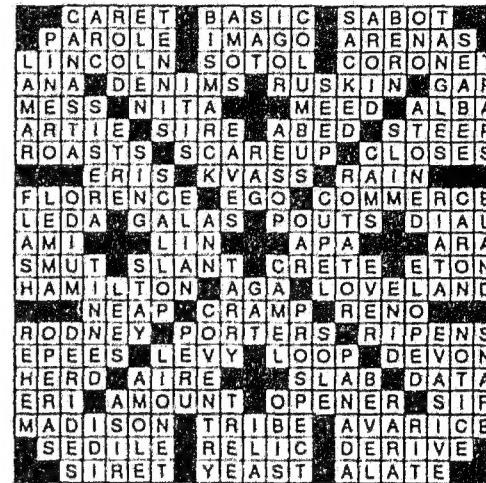
Robidoux said there are many false lost-person alarms at skiways, usually when someone fails to show up at a meeting place and their companions assume the worst. But when a lost-person report seems genuine, he said, Sunday River immediately musters all available personnel and equipment to find them.

So far, he said, everyone who has been lost has eventually been found safe and sound.

Lesson learned?

Boucher is no stranger to the world far from the groomed trail. Now the owner of Mahoosuc Mountain Sports in Bethel, the Auburn native has skied extensively in the backcountry of the Rockies, the Alps and in Asia.

Boucher -- whose own son, Logan, was born this winter -- said he sensed in Travis a kindred spirit. "The kid's an adventurer, but he wasn't ready for this one. I told him it's OK to do stuff, but you've got to be prepared. I hope now he's learned that lesson."



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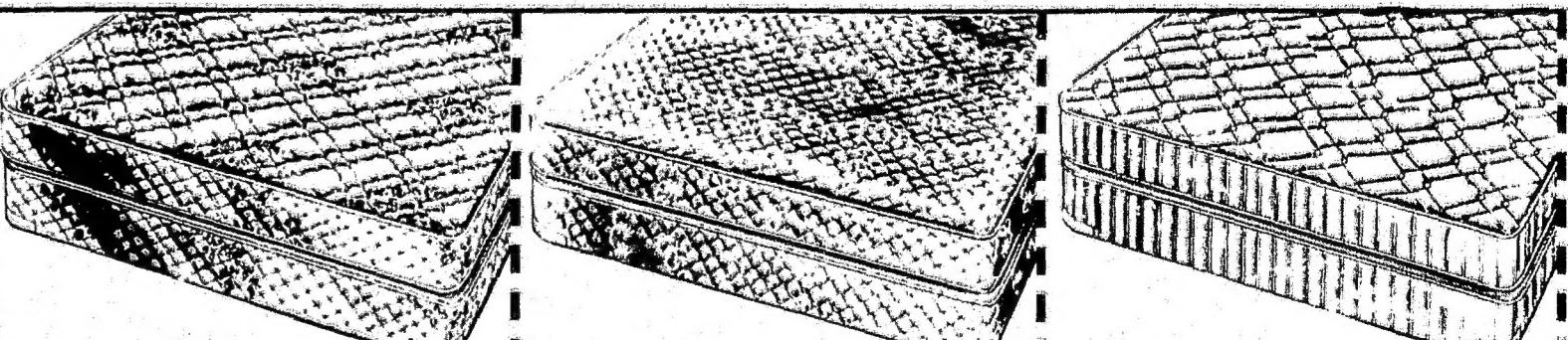
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